SPEAKERS

Speakers with their eyes on the horizon and their feet on the ground

This year's speakers include technology experts, visionaries and pragmatists, and people whose lives embody determination, persistence and passion.

JIM CARROLL - FIRST TIME IN AUSTRALASIA, MOBILECHANGE EXCLUSIVE

SMASH THAT BOX

Jim Carroll is a US-based strategic thinker and "thought leader" with deep insight into trends, the future, creativity, and innovation. Listen as he reveals the key strategies and leadership ideas that have assisted some organisations to achieve breakthrough innovations and absolutely compelling levels of productivity.

IAN HUTCHINSON

PEOPLE POWER

As a world-renowned speaker, international business consultant, author of "52 Strategies to Work Life Balance", creator of "meCentral.com", there's no-one better than Ian to deliver an informative session with the focus on helping you understand how to retain top people based on the key psychological principle that: "Everyone is motivated by a better lifestyle".

DR KEVIN McISAAC

A LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

As a recognised expert in infrastructure, operations, vendor management and the art of running IT as a business, Kevin will provide a fantastic perspective as to how the key telecommunications issues of Internet bandwidth and costs are affecting business in Australia and New Zealand - and what is likely to happen going forward.

STEPHEN PRENTICE

BUSINESS JUST GOT PERSONAL

As a 33 year IT industry veteran and now distinguished research analyst, Stephen Prentice is comfortable looking into the future to see what lies ahead. You'll be surprised to hear the outcome of his latest research including how the growth of virtual worlds and social networking will make their impact on business.

ROSS GREENWOOD

ALL ABOARD THE ROLLER-COASTER RIDE

With an incredible array of celebrated broadcast and print media experience, as well as an award for Trustee of the Year, Ross will provide you with some deep insights and clear perspectives as to how recent events unfolding across the global finance industry will impact the capital management and IT investment profile of organisations around the world.

PHILIP CRONIN

GOING MOBILE

Enjoy a detailed understanding from this AIIA board member as to where the IT industry is heading, particularly in reference to the ability of new hardware to drive new user applications, and thus enhance your own strategic IT planning.

Philip is the General Manager for Intel Australia and New Zealand and is also responsible for promoting Intel's position as the leading technology changing the way people live and work.

MASA OKUMURA

A MOBILE FUTURE

Masa will draw on his knowledge as the head of global product marketing for the Toshiba mobile computing group to give you a view into the future with regards to development innovation, user applications, product designs, and specific announcement roadmaps to assist in your strategic planning.

SUSIE O'NEILL

MADAME BUTTERFLY

The story of how Susie became one of the world's most successful swimmers is one that will motivate you to set new benchmarks and go for gold in your own life pursuits. You'll hear how commitment, raw talent and hard work put her in motion - to take her places no woman had gone before.

JOHN PRITCHARD

MOBILE AND MANAGED

John Pritchard is the Microsoft Windows Client Specialist focusing on Windows Vista, the next generation Operation System from Microsoft to replace Windows XP. John has been with Microsoft for over 10 years, consulting in server infrastructure, World Wide Services team as a Program Manager and now in the Australian Windows Client team. John managed the Technical Adoption Program (TAP) for Vista in Australia. Worked with early adopters and is continuing with enterprise customers who are evaluating Windows Vista and initiating programs to deploy the latest operating system from Microsoft. John is looking forward to Management and Mobility of Windows Vista and value it will return in workstation management lifecycle in the business environment.

TRAVIS SMITH

GET SMART WITH TABLETS

Travis Smith is the Assistant Principal of Frankston High School in Melbourne. The school has over 1600 students and his main responsibilities include overseeing the successful implementation of ICT across the curriculum and also managing the human resources of the school.

Travis was the Director of Computing at the school in charge of managing the school's very successful notebook program for students. The school is still one of the few Government schools running a notebook program and it has been doing so since 1995. Teaching and learning has changed significantly since the notebooks program's inception but nothing shifted thinking more than the introduction of Tablet notebook computers in 2006. Students and teachers now use Tablet notebooks in classes and are realising the potential of this technology for students now and into the future.

GUY SEBASTIAN

GALA DINNER: SPECIAL GUEST

After winning Australian Idol 2003, Guy Sebastian has continued to evolve as an internationally acclaimed artist. In 2007 Guy travelled to Memphis, Tennessee to record 'The Memphis Album'. The double platinum album was released to critical acclaim - coming into the charts at No.3, making Guy one of the few who have had four consecutive top 5 albums.

As our special guest at the Gala Dinner, Guy will entertain and delight you with a range of numbers from The Memphis Album.

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